






EMS for Children Committee Meeting
Office of EMS
1041 Technology Park Drive, Glen Allen, VA
July 7, 2011
3-5 p.m.

Members Present:	OEMS Staff:	Others:
Robin Foster, MD , VCU, EMSC Committee Chair	Wanda Street , VDH, OEMS, Secretary Sr.	Valeta Daniels
David P. Edwards, MBA , VDH, OEMS, Virginia EMS for Children Coordinator		Lori Harbour
Petra Connell, Ph.D., MPH , EMSC Family Representative		Kendall Lee
Stephen Rea , TJEMS, Regional EMS Council Representative		
Virginia Powell, Ph.D. , VDH, Office of the Chief Medical Examiner		
Barbara Kahler, MD , VA AAP Representative		
Kae Bruch , Virginia Association of School Nurses Representative		
Kimberly Burt , DMV, Highway Safety Office Representative		
Theresa Guins, MD , Pediatric ED Physician, EMSC Program Medical Director		
Cathy Fox, RN , VA Emergency Nurses Association Representative		
Alice Ackerman, MD , Department Chair of Pediatrics, Carilion Roanoke Memorial Hospital		
Paul Sharpe , VDH, OEMS, Trauma/Critical Care Coordinator		

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Call to order:	The meeting was called to order by Dr. Theresa Guins at 3:05 p.m.	
Approval of Minutes from the April 7, 2011 meeting:	A motion was made to review and approve the minutes. The motion was moved by Petra and seconded by Virginia.	The minutes were approved as submitted.
Introductions:	Everyone around the room introduced themselves.	
Chairperson's Report – Dr. Robin Foster:	Dr. Foster announced that Bruce Edwards was appointed as the Chair of the State Board of Health Committee. Bruce is the Chief at The City of Virginia Beach Department of EMS. She also mentioned that Mr. Wayne Frith of Chesterfield SAFE gave an overview of the program which means Substance	

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	<p>Abuse Free Environments, Inc. He talked about inhalant abuse and how he trains providers on the signs of inhalant abuse. She was wondering if this would be a good presentation for this committee to use as an education tool. David said that this would be good to add to the EMSC Toolkit on the OEMS website. He attended a presentation by Mr. Frith in Williamsburg and it was quite powerful. This program is being taught at symposium as well. Dr. Foster thinks this will be a great EMSAT also. The committee agreed on a more general substance abuse presentation and will ask Ruddy Rose or Evelyn Warring to present at the October meeting.</p> <p>Dr. Foster also discussed child abuse statistics data. There have been 50 cases reported by EMS providers. This figure seems a little low. David will find out the numbers on the child abuse cases and statistics. However, the overall reports show that the child abuse deaths have doubled since 2001. There were 44 founded deaths in 2010 and 20 in 2001. Fourteen of the 44 deaths were involved in Child Protective Services cases. If anyone has any ideas or suggestions on how the committee can improve child abuse education/awareness or any other advocacy efforts, please let Dr. Foster know. She is willing to give lectures on the topic. Kae stated that the School Nurse Association may be interested in a lecture. An EMSAT may be helpful for the Department of Social Services. Dr. Foster is on a committee with DCJS in which an EPIC program is near completion. The next meeting on this is October 14. Anyone will be able to use this for an education piece. If interested in getting it or being a trainer, let her know.</p> <p>Dr. Foster said that the committee has the unique ability to educate referring hospitals and providers by using a CME program to gain CEUs on pediatric care. Dr. Guins has just become an OMD and has already started building relationships with her area hospitals. A planning meeting will be held to include Dr. Foster, Dr. Guins, Dr. Ackerman and David Edwards.</p>	<p>Ruddy Rose or Evelyn Warring will be contacted to present a general substance abuse presentation to the committee in October.</p> <p>If anyone is interested in a copy of the EPIC program or in becoming a trainer of the program, let Dr. Foster know.</p>
OEMS Report – Paul Sharpe:	<p>Paul said that in the new system, a child abuse variable was added and it shows 55 statewide cases since last July. They were all treated and transported.</p> <p>The Trauma Center Designation Manual has been updated. Two workgroups were focused on nursing and burn. Next year the Trauma System Oversight & Management Committee plans to review the entire manual and focus on pediatrics. We've also added a burn surgeon to the committee.</p> <p>The DDNR Regulations have been signed and will be implemented after July 21. Education materials will soon be available explaining the changes.</p>	
EMSC Program Report – David Edwards:	 <p>EMSC Program Report Jul 2011.doc</p> <p>EMSC Performance Measures The following EMSC Performance Measure documents were distributed at the meeting today:</p>	

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	<div data-bbox="464 232 527 289"></div> <div data-bbox="401 293 583 342">EMSC Performance Measures.pdf</div> <div data-bbox="667 232 730 289"></div> <div data-bbox="596 293 804 342">List of EMSC Performance Measure</div> <p>Performance measure #74 is optional; however, Virginia has decided to take on this measure.</p> <p>FYI, Cathy Fox stated that she has been asked to coordinate an Emergency Nurse Pediatric Course and also a CPEN Review in Roanoke this Fall. Cathy also taught at the ENPC course in Northern Virginia Alliance in May and 46 nurses from Maryland, Virginia and Washington, DC attended.</p>	
EMSC Family Representative Report – Petra Connell:	No report.	
Committee Member Organization Reports:	<p><u>Theresa Guins, MD</u> – The Medical Direction Committee has not met since the last meeting and the meeting this morning was canceled so there is nothing to report for MDC. Dr. Guins was awarded the Frank M. Yeiser, Jr. Outstanding EMS Physician Award for the Tidewater area. Everyone congratulated her on this accomplishment.</p> <p><u>Kimberly Burt</u> – Ms. Burt’s report was emailed and copies were distributed at the meeting. See below: The last page is what she mentioned at the meeting about Youth of Virginia Speak Out.</p> <div data-bbox="457 792 520 849"></div> <div data-bbox="394 849 579 898">EMSC Kimberly Burt's DMV Highway Safety</div> <p><u>Cathy Fox, RN</u> – Cathy reported that she won the EMS for Children Award for the Tidewater Area. She thanked Dr. Guins for nominating her. She was also invited to the official signing of House Bill 1690 with Governor McDonnell and Delegate Dr. Chris Stolle. That was very exciting. She also received notification two weeks ago that she was awarded the National ENA Barbara A. Foley Injury Prevention Award. She also wanted everyone to have a copy of an article titled, “I Pass the Baton for Safer Handoffs in Pediatric Emergency Care”. Instead of using SBAR, the article encourages using I PASS THE BATON method of pediatric patient transfer. The article was copied, scanned and emailed to the committee members by Wanda Street. Cathy has videotaped the EMSAT on the Choking Game with the Office of EMS. It will be available for all of the providers. Cathy will do the final edits today with Terry Coy.</p> <p>Dr. Foster and everyone congratulated Cathy on all of her accomplishments and said that she is truly an inspiration.</p> <p><u>Kae Bruch</u> – Nurses are still not mandated and nursing positions are still being cut. Kimberly Burt asked if School Nurses could advocate the Youth of Virginia Speak Out program. DMV is having a difficult time getting it into the schools. Kae stated that unless the program is SOL based, it won’t be easy to implement in the school systems. Kae asked to be sent the information and she will get it out to the school nurses.</p> <p><u>Barbara Kahler</u> – Barbara and three other Virginians attended the joint CDC and AAP H1N1 Summit in Chicago this past April. Ten states worked on State Action Plans for Emergency Pandemic Preparedness. This is an ongoing process in</p>	

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	<p>conjunction with VDH to get the pediatric steps into the emergency preparedness plan. This is a work in progress.</p> <p><u>Alice Ackerman, MD</u> – Alice is continuing to work on the disaster program in Southwest Virginia. It is difficult to get the physicians to commit to a day of education every other month. Overall, the response has been very positive especially with the clinical rotations. They pair physicians with physicians and nurses with nurses. The nursing part of the program is going better than the physician part. The program is not being shared until a means of evaluation has been created. A lot of the work has been done with grants from ASPER.</p> <p><u>Virginia Powell, Ph.D.</u> – The State Child Fatality Review Team met and discussed suggestions that should be considered for a web-based training or EMSAT on managing infant/child death scenes. Please see the following attachment:</p> <p></p> <p>Notes from CFRT discussion on EMSC 0</p> <p>The committee suggested that a panel consisting of a physician, an EMS provider and a law enforcement officer each having about 15 minutes. They also suggested someone from the Medical Examiner's office and the Office of Attorney General. Dr. Deborah Kay (CME), Dr. Kevin Whaley (CME), Sandy Sylvester from Prince William County, and Wendy from Tidewater were some of the names suggested to create the EMSAT. David will contact Terry Coy and Warren Short about scheduling this.</p> <p><u>Stephen Rea</u> – The discussion at the Professional Development Committee has been focused on the new EMS Registry testing changes.</p>	<p>David will contact Terry Coy and Warren Short about this possible EMSAT on pediatric death scenes.</p> <p>Dr. Foster will contact Sandy Sylvester.</p>
Special Presentation – David Edwards	David introduced the committee to the NEMSIS National Database. Currently there are 29 States reporting data and Virginia will begin reporting in August or September. Currently there are 17, 829, 096 records. The website is http://www.nemsis.org and anyone can research data because they give public access.	
Old Business:	At the last meeting, David was going to seek clarification on the age of refusal to transport. He stated that he did not follow through with this and will report back at the next meeting.	David will seek clarification on this from Michael Berg.
New Business:	None.	
Public Comment:	None.	
Adjournment:	<p>The meeting adjourned at approximately 5:02 p.m.</p> <p>Tentative meeting dates for 2012 are: January 5, March 29, July 12 and October 4.</p>	The next meeting will be held October 6, 2011 at 1041 Technology Park Drive, Glen Allen, VA.